

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of
3 Illinois learned with regret of the passing of Rod R. McMahan
4 of Chicago on November 1, 2003; and

5 WHEREAS, Rod R. McMahan was born on July 24, 1939, in
6 Fremont, Nebraska, and graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan in
7 1962; and

8 WHEREAS, After graduating from Yale Law School in 1965,
9 Mr. McMahan moved to Chicago and joined the law firm of Lord,
10 Bissell & Brook, where he practiced in the field of corporate
11 appellate litigation for 38 years; along with his duties at
12 his law firm, Mr. McMahan was also the financial and ethical
13 manager of his wife's business, Learning Diagnostics in
14 Lincoln Park; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. McMahan loved to spend time with his family
16 at Camp Madron in Buchanan, Michigan; there he taught his
17 children to fish, cook, garden, and appreciate nature, all
18 the while subjecting them to semantics/word games at which he
19 knew he was unbeatable; Mr. McMahan loved to teach but not as
20 much as he loved to learn, a sense he has obviously passed on
21 to his children; and

22 WHEREAS, The passing of Rod R. McMahan has been deeply
23 felt by all who knew and loved him, especially his wife of 25
24 years, Cherie Laaperi; his children, Michael and Beckett
25 McMahan; his sister, Karen Rambadt; and his mother Cloris
26 Yarpe McMahan; therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
28 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
29 all who knew him, the death of Rod R. McMahan; and be it
30 further

31 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Rod R. McMahan as an expression of
2 our sincerest condolences.